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<b>PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:</b>	<b>EXAMINING BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPISTS AND ATHLETICS TRAINERS</b>
<b>MEETING DATE AND TIME:</b>	<b>Tuesday, November 23, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.</b>
<b>PLACE:</b>	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware <b>Conference Room A</b> , First floor of the Cannon Building
<b>MINUTES APPROVED:</b>	January 25, 2011

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Denise Smith, Chairperson, Professional Member  
Steve Kotrch, Public Member  
W. Wayne Woodzell, Professional Member  
Julie Knowles, Professional Member  
Christopher Kay, Professional Member  
Jeffrey Schneider, Professional Member  
Amy Blansfield, Professional Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Laura Schmitt, Secretary, Professional Member  
L. Britt Davis, Public Member  
Holly Malone, Public Member

**DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Eileen Heeney, Deputy Attorney General  
Gayle Melvin, Administrative Specialist III

**ALSO PRESENT**

Brandon Reith  
Kaci Burris

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Smith called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. Mr. Schneider and Ms. Blansfield were welcomed to the Board.

### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes of the October 26, 2010 meeting. Mr. Kotrch made a motion, seconded by Mr. Woodzell, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Discussion: Proposed Revisions to the Rules and Regulations**

The Board reviewed the suggested proposed revisions received from Ms. Knowles. Ms. Heeney will make the proposed revisions as discussed to the rules and regulations for review at the next meeting.

### **HEARINGS**

#### **Case 14-06-07 Against Dan Jason M. Velez**

This hearing was rescheduled for the January 25, 2011 meeting.

#### **Case No. 14-04-09 Against Lawrence P. Tatem (Hearing Cancelled – Review of Consent Agreement)**

The Board reviewed the consent agreement signed by Lawrence P. Tatem and Stacey Stewart, Deputy Attorney General. Mr. Kotrch made a motion, seconded by Ms. Knowles, to accept the consent agreement as written. The motion was unanimously carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Ratify PT/PTA/AT Application by Examination**

Mr. Kotrch made a motion, seconded by Mr. Woodzell, to ratify licensure by examination for the following person:

Jessica Leyden (PTA)

The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **Ratify PT/PTA/AT Applications by Reciprocity**

Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kotrch, to ratify licensure by reciprocity for the following persons:

Kara Gintert (PT)

Meenakshi Quinlan (PT)

Dawn Murray (PTA)

Cameron Coghill (PT)

Christy Thompson (PT)  
Brian Joslin (PT)

The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Review of Application by Examination

The Board reviewed the application of Siji Mooleparampil for licensure as a physical therapy assistant by examination. Mr. Kotrch made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kay, to approve Ms. Mooleparampil's application. The motion was unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the application of Swarna Dakareddy for licensure as a physical therapist by examination. Mr. Kotrch made a motion, seconded by Ms. Knowles, to propose to deny Ms. Dakareddy's application because she does not meet the education requirements. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Final Denial of Applications

Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kotrch, to final deny the applications for the following persons which the Board had proposed to deny and had received no response from the applicants requesting a hearing:

Rowena Arrieta (PT)  
Rita Sharon Siriban (PT)

The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Review of Exam Results

Mr. Kotrch made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kay, to recognize examination results for the following persons:

Alisa Yeargin (PT)  
Jessica Ferenschak (PT)

The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Review of Continuing Education Courses

This was tabled until the next meeting. Mr. Woodzell will review the continuing education courses and make recommendations for review by the Board at the next meeting.

Ms. Smith made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kotrch, to delegate the authority to Mr. Woodzell to review and deny or approve the continuing education courses submitted by Catherine Belen and Toby Montgomery. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Review of Letter from the Delaware Physical Therapy Association Regarding Communications and the Board's Assistance in Educating Licensees on Procedures For Reporting Improprieties in Physical Therapy Practice

The Board reviewed the letter from Joseph Lucca, President of the Delaware Physical Therapy Association. Mr. Lucca asked to discuss an opportunity to enhance the communications

between the Board and the Association and for assistance in educating Delaware physical therapists on the proper procedures for reporting improprieties in practice. Mr. Lucca will be invited to attend the Board meetings. He will also be advised that the Board meetings are open to the public and the minutes from the meetings are posted on the Board's website. At this time, the Board has no plans to publish a newsletter. The Board can send out a mass email to all licensees advising them of any changes. The process for making a complaint against a licensee can be found on the Division's website.

Tessa Walker: Review of Completed Continuing Education as Required by the Board's Order

The Board reviewed the continuing education completed by Tessa Walker as required by the Board's Order. Ms. Smith made a motion, seconded by Mr. Woodzell, to accept the continuing education completed by Ms. Walker. The motion was unanimously carried.

Robert Nelson, II: Review of Request to Remain on Inactive Status

The Board reviewed the request from Robert Nelson, II to remain on inactive status. Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kotrch, to approve Mr. Nelson's request to remain on inactive status. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Request for Reinstatement

Mr. Kotrch made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schneider, to approve the following application for reinstatement:

Susan Kush (PTA)

The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Request for Inactive Status

Mr. Woodzell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schneider, to approve the following licensee to put his license on inactive status:

Fred D'Alessandra

The motion was unanimously carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD** (for discussion only)

Board members signed the final order from the hearing held for Savita Khemani regarding the Board's proposal to deny of her application.

Board members received a memorandum from the Board of Clinical Social Work Examiners informing them about a new law related to the practice of clinical social work.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Burris, former Board member, spoke about being careful regarding the language that is used in the proposed revisions to the rules and regulations. The Board should not be too limiting with their language.

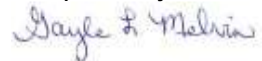
**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. in Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Kotrch made a motion, seconded by Mr. Woodzell, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gayle L. Melvin".

Gayle L. Melvin  
Administrative Specialist III